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News

Oliver Berliner, grandson of the inventor of the phonograph, to speak at the Johnson Victrola Museum

Oct. 4, 2014 program to focus on one of the pioneers in the music industry: Emile Berliner. Read more ...



Oliver Berliner upon accepting his grandfather's 2nd Grammy Award, January 2014. Photo courtesy NARAS. Berliner will speak at the Johnson Victrola Museum on Oct. 4, 2014.

Division to offer 10 free programs during October 2014

William Penn Day; Emile Berliner, a pioneer of the music industry; and a Day in the Life of the John Dickinson Plantation to be featured.

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History was made here: Cooch-Dayett Mills

Historic 1830s mill in Newark to host open house on Nov. 1, 2014 Read more ...

Exhibit at Rutgers-Camden Center for the Arts features Victor-related items from the state's collections Exhibit on display from Oct. 6 to Dec. 18, 2014.

Read more ...

The Civil Rights Movement in Delaware: Its History—Its Legacy

Symposium to take place in Dover on Oct. 2 and 3, 2014.

Read more ...

"Stealing Freedom along the Mason Dixon Line: The Story of Elkton Slave Catcher and Kidnapper Thomas McCreary"

Underground Railroad Coalition of Delaware lecture to take place on Oct. 27, 2014. Read more ...

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Help Save Delaware History

Millsboro's Burton-Blackstone-Carey Store added to the National Register of Historic Places

Town's oldest–known commercial building with intact historic-fabric was built in the 1840s. Read more ...

Annual Report on the Economic Impact of the Federal Historic Tax Credit for FY 2013

Report issued by the National Park Service in August 2014.

Read more ...

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation publishes Section 106 success stories

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires federal agencies to stop, look and consider the effects that their activities have on historic properties.

Read more ...

Call for abstracts: "Learning From the Reservation: Using the Traditional Cultural Place Perspective for Better Decision Making in a Diverse Cultural Landscape"

Conference to be held April 23-25, 2015 at Delaware State University. Deadline for submission of abstracts: Oct. 15, 2014.

Read more ...

"Preserving Our Past for a Better Future: Delaware's Historic Preservation Plan, 2013–2017"

Document provides a roadmap for focusing on the broad goals and needs of Delaware's preservation community. Read more ...

Media Roundup

The following Delaware history-related articles have recently appeared in the media:

Head of Delaware's national park says: 'It does exist'

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Sept. 23, 2014 Citizens voice concerns regarding uses of the park.

Paying tribute to Delaware's unknown hero: Allen McLane Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Sept. 19, 2014 Article on the upcoming symposium that will take place on Oct. 25, 2014

Soldiers memorialized 237 years after Battle of Cooch's Bridge

Newark Post, Del.—Sept. 8, 2014

Article on memorial ceremony hosted by the Pencader Area Heritage Association.

Events

Oct. 4

The Declaration of Independence – Old State House
An Illegal Activity – First State Heritage Park Welcome Center and Galleries
River Towns Ride and Festival – New Castle Court House
His Majesty's Sloop of War DeBraak – Zwaanendael Museum

Pioneers in the Music Industry: Emile Berliner – Johnson Victrola Museum

Oct. 11

A Day in the Life of the John Dickinson Plantation – John Dickinson Plantation
Working on the Dock of the Bay: Outfitting Philadelphia's Ships in the Revolutionary Era – Hale-Byrnes House

Oct. 18

Running of the Mill – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

Oct. 19

Event Expo – Buena Vista Conference Center Belmont Hall Volunteer Party – Belmont Hall

Oct. 24

Lantern Tours of the Plantation – John Dickinson Plantation

Oct. 25

Allen McLane Symposium – Wesley College William Penn Day – New Castle Court House An 18th-Century Sweet Tooth – John Dickinson Plantation Mysteries of History – Zwaanendael Museum

Oct. 27

Stealing Freedom along the Mason Dixon Line: The Story of Elkton Slave Catcher and Kidnapper Thomas McCreary – Underground Railroad Coalition of Delaware

Exhibits and Displays

Thru Dec. 7, 2014

An Illegal Activity: The Underground Railroad in Delaware – First State Heritage Park Welcome Center and Galleries

Thru spring 2015

Middletown Goes To War - Middletown Historical Society

Ongoing

Delaware and the War of 1812 – Zwaanendael Museum

Emeline Hawkins: Her Journey from Slavery to Freedom on the Underground Railroad – New Castle Court House Museum

Items From the Permanent Collections – Laurel Heritage Museum

A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World – Zwaanendael Museum

Simple Machines – John Dickinson Plantation



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